Introduction of FM Channel in Hyderabad

*439. DR C. NARAYANA REDDY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to introduce FM Metro Channel in A.I.R., Hyderabad, in view of the constant demand from the public ;

(b) whether Government will make the proposed Hyderabad FM Metro Channel to be at par with other Metro Channels in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore and Panaji; and

(c) if so, by when the Hyderabad FM Metro Channel is likely to start functioning ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD) : (a) Prasar Bharati has informed that a proposal to introduce FM Metro Channel at Hyderabad is under its consideration.

(b) Government has not received any proposal for starting FM Metro Channel at Hyderabad.

(c) Does not arise.

Allocation for Cancer cure

*440. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO :
SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the budgetary allocation made for Cancer cure;

(b) the number of cancer patients in the country;

(c) the average cost of treatment per patient; and

(d) the action proposed to increase the allocation?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ) : (a) A Statement indicating the allocation and expenditure for the last six years is enclosed (*See* below).

(b) The information about occurrence of cancer is at present not being routinely collected by this Ministry. The information about incidence rates of cancer is available through Population Based Cancer Registries functioning under the National Cancer Registry Programme of Indian Council of Medical Research. Based on data from these registries, it has been estimated

that in the year 2001, about 8.06 lakhs persons would have developed cancer in the country.

(c) The treatment of cancer is by Radiotherapy, Chemotherapy, Surgery and supporting care. Different treatment therapies are used either alone or in combination. Moreover the type, extent and duration etc. of therapies used also varies with different patients depending on the type, location and stage of cancer. The average cost of treatment per patient is, therefore, not assessable.

(d) The Ninth Plan allocation for National Cancer Control Programme was Rs. 193.00 crores which has since been increased to Rs. 285.00 crores for the Tenth Five Year Plan.

Statement

Details of Allocation and Expenditure incurred under various Schemes of NCCP during the Ninth Five Year Plan and 1st Year of the Tenth Plan

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of Schemes	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Total Allocation	2000.00	3000.00	3500.00	4800.00	6000.00	6000.00
Regional Cancer Centres	960.00	1813.65	1606.00	2700.00	2882.50	2710.00
Setting up of Cobalt Units	500.00	320.00	737.00	1162.00	1114.00	950.00
Oncology Wings	476.00	779.00	959.24	870.00	1770.00	821.00
District Cancer Control Programme	45.00	30.00	180.00	30.00	45.00	—
NGO Scheme	6.00	10.50	17.00	38.00	188.50	232.95
Total Expenditure	1987.00	2953.00	3499.27	4800.00	6000.00	4713.95